

REMARKS

I. Status Of The Claims

Claims 1-39 are pending in this Application.

Claims 1-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Arora (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0023111) in view of Fisher (U.S. Patent No. 6,331,858).

Claims 1, 14, and 27 are independent.

II. Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The Office Action rejects independent claims 1, 14, and 27 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Arora in view of Fisher.

However, Applicants respectfully submit that Arora and Fisher, taken individually or in combination, fail, for example, to disclose, teach, or suggest:

“... designating a subspace of the plurality of subspaces for receipt of a selected image ...”

as set forth in each of claims 1, 14, and 27 (emphasis added).

The Office Action contends that such is taught by Arora. Applicants respectfully disagree.

Applicants note that the Office Action contends that Arora teaches subspaces via “502” and “504” of Fig. 5.

However, Arora fails, for example, to disclose, teach, or suggest designating “502” for receipt of a selected image, Arora instead indicating “502” itself to be a “dragged and dropped” “image” (see, for example, Arora paragraph [0094]).

As another example, Arora fails to disclose, teach, or suggest designating “504”

for receipt of a selected image, Arora instead indicating “504” to merely be “dragged and dropped” “text” (see, for example, Arora paragraph [0094]).

Accordingly, even if for the sake of argument “502” and “504” were taken to be subspaces, which they are not, Arora would still fail, for instance, to disclose, teach, or suggest “... designating a subspace of the plurality of subspaces for receipt of a selected image ...” as set forth in each of claims 1, 14, and 27 (emphasis added).

Additionally, Applicants respectfully submit that Arora and Fisher, taken individually or in combination fail, for example, to disclose, teach, or suggest:

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As discussed above the Office Action contends that Arora teaches subspaces via “502” and “504” of Fig. 5. However, Applicants note, for example, that Arora does not disclose, teach, or suggest resizing a selected image to fit “502”, and instead, as discussed above, indicates “502” itself to be a dragged and dropped image. As another example, Applicants note that Arora does not disclose, teach, or suggest resizing a selected image to fit “504” and instead, as discussed above, indicates “504” to merely be dragged and dropped text.

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In view of at least the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 14,

and 27, as well as those claims that depend therefrom, are in condition for allowance.

III. Dependent Claim Rejections

Applicants do not believe it is necessary at this time to further address the rejections of the dependent claims as Applicants believe that the foregoing places the independent claims in condition for allowance. Applicants, however, reserve the right to further address those rejections in the future should such a response be deemed necessary and appropriate.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that this Application is in condition for allowance for which action is earnestly solicited.

If a telephone conference would facilitate prosecution of this Application in any way, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required for this submission, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 4301-4000. **A DUPLICATE OF THIS DOCUMENT IS ATTACHED.**

Furthermore, in the event that a further extension of time is required, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of

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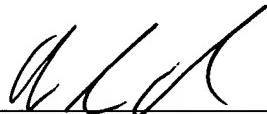
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